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## STRIKE BREAKS OUT AFRESH IN RUSSIA

**Strikers Refuse to Allow Men  
to Return to Work.**

### RUMORS OF PEACE UNFOUNDED

**General Kuropatkin Reports a Small  
Engagement—The Factories at Lodz  
Are Open, But Few Workmen Have  
Returned to Their Places.**

Warsaw, Russian Poland, Feb. 8.—Several men were killed here today by the strikers in bakeries and elsewhere where attempts were made to resume work. Many arrests have been made. The prices of provisions have gone up. Peasants are afraid to bring in their produce.

Strikers today attempted to bring out the employees of the electrical plant of the asylum for lunatics, but the doctors succeeded in pacifying the men.

According to a report from Radom, 30 workmen have been killed or wounded in strike disorders there today at Skarzysko, 24 have been killed and 40 wounded.

Grave trouble is also reported at Kutno today. Troops have been sent to Kutno from here.

### Few Return to Work.

Lodz, Russian Poland, Feb. 8.—The factories were opened today but scarcely any of the workmen appeared. At one factory the men worked until lunch time and then left and refused to return, saying they did not want to be killed by a bullet from the street fired through the door. Another factory abruptly ended work.

The situation appears to be growing worse, and a critical time is expected Feb. 9, the date on which some of the largest manufacturing have begun to pay their employees the balance of their wages dismissed them and shut down the mills indefinitely.

The strikers are becoming more aggressive. This morning they forcibly entered a mill and destroyed the machinery.

### General Kuropatkin Reports.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 8.—General Kuropatkin reports that a detachment of Cossacks commanded by Prince Magaloff attacked a village occupied by the Japanese the night of Feb. 5, bayoneted 50 men and retired without sustaining any loss. The Berlin Tageblatt today printed a report to the effect that Emperor Nicholas recently found in his study a letter threatening him with assassination. An investigation of the rumor elicited a semi-official statement that it was unfounded.

### No Basis for Rumors of Peace.

London, Feb. 8.—The charge of affairs of the Russian embassy informed the Associated Press today that there is no basis for the renewed rumors of peace prospects. The Russian attitude, he declared, was not changed. Peace could not be considered under the present conditions.

The foreign office attaches no credence to the renewed rumors of prospects of early peace in the Far East and informed the Associated Press today that the situation so far as the British government is aware, has not changed.

### Condition Worse at Batoum.

Batoum, Caucasus, Feb. 8.—The strike situation here is growing worse. Business is practically at a standstill, although some steamers have succeeded in getting away. Food is becoming more scarce. The military governor has issued a proclamation warning the inhabitants against assembling in crowds.

### Guns Mounted on Automobiles.

Chicago, Feb. 8.—Rapid fire guns mounted on automobile cars are to be used by the Russians for the protection of the trans-Siberian railroad.

Six of these cars have been ordered by Nicholas Summerfield, of Moscow, a representative of the Russian government, who has visited the Chicago automobile show. They were ordered for immediate delivery, and will be sent to Russia from Detroit within

two weeks. The cars will be especially built, with extended platform in front of the rear to hold guns, it being further specified that they are to be shipped with 30-horse power motors of high speed.

### KILLED IN ROW OVER A PENNY

**Old Man Is Slain in a Quarrel About  
a One-Cent Piece.**

New York, Feb. 8.—Harris Elias, the East Broadway merchant who was struck down by a professional stove lighter on Saturday, died, surrounded by his aged wife and six children, in Beth Israel hospital, of which institution he was a trustee. His slayer, John O'Grady, was held without bail in the Essex Market court even before the death of Mr. Elias had been announced.

O'Grady went to the store of Mr. Elias to build the fire and clean the store, according to a contract. Mr. Elias had owed him a dime. The merchant found nine cents, telling O'Grady he would pay him the other penny next day.

O'Grady, it is alleged, cursed Elias soundly, and in a violent rage picked up the heavy stove lifter and felled him to the floor.

### USED MAIL TO DEFRAUD WOMEN

**United States Authorities Catch Man  
for Alleged Crookedness.**

Chicago, Feb. 8.—While postoffice inspectors were searching for John Burnett, the man who it is alleged was working in the federal building, drawing money from the government as an expert tile setter, has been arrested charged with using the United States mails to defraud unsuspecting women in Pittsburg, Pa.

It is alleged that Burnett, with another man, operated the Colonial Manufacturing and Supply company, in Pittsburg, by which they were able to secure thousands of dollars from women each of whom sent them \$2 for material for crochet work and fancy needle work.

Burnett waived examination, and was returned to Pittsburg.

### NEW WIVES DISCOVERED.

**New York Police Find Women Wed-  
ded by Hoch.**

New York, Feb. 8.—The New York police announced today that they had discovered two women whom Hoch had married. One of them, the police said, is Mrs. Minnie Westphal, of Jersey City, whom Hoch is said to have married in 1898 under the name of William Frederick Beasing.

According to the police, Hoch made her acquaintance through a newspaper advertisement and got \$200 belonging to her. The police say that Hoch told them he selected Mrs. Westphal from 1,200 replies to his advertisement.

The name of the other woman is not disclosed by the police, but they say Hoch married her in 1897 and secured \$200 from her.

### SOININEN'S ASSASSIN CAUGHT.

**Man Who Killed Finland's Procurator  
General Was a Student.**

Helsingfors, Finland, Feb. 8.—The assassin of Solasalon Soininen, procurator General of Finland, who was shot and killed yesterday at his residence by a young man dressed in an officer's uniform, has been identified as Karl Leonard Hohenthal, formerly a student at the Imperial Alexander university.

Hohenthal, who latterly had lived in Stockholm, returned to Finland on Jan. 13. He maintained obstinate silence under examination. Senator Akerman who has assumed the duties of procurator of the senate, is directing the investigation of the crime.

The wounds inflicted on the assassin by the son of Soininen are not of a dangerous character.

### Hot Ashes Cause a Big Fire.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 8.—A number of residences on Gaston street, east, were damaged by fire at an early hour this morning by the carelessness of a servant girl of Ravenel Oignilliat, who left a boxful of hot ashes on the rear veranda of his home home last night. B. Scarborough, E. V. Pettit, W. H. Edenfield and Albert Strasser, in addition to Mr. Oignilliat, were the losers. Some of the families had a narrow escape.

## CONGRESS DEBATES FREIGHT RATES BILL

**Mr. Richardson, of Alabama, De-  
livers Strong Speech.**

### BUREAU'S REPORT ON COTTON

**Senator Cullom Says the Senate Will  
Pass the Esch-Townsend Bill as Pre-  
pared by the House—Luke Wright  
Governor General of Philippines.**

Washington, Feb. 8.—In accordance with the rule adopted yesterday the house today in committee of the whole convened one hour earlier than usual, the exclusive business for the day being debate upon the bills regulating freight rates. Mr. Richardson (Ala.) continued his speech begun yesterday.

Several points were involved. It was said, he said, in the federal courts that the railroads get their protection. The special court proposed by the Townsend bill he characterized as a fifth wheel in the judicial wagon, with no necessity for it except to embarrass the movement for equalizing rates.

Mr. Richardson denied that the Davey bill embodied any of the provisions of the so-called Hearst bill.

Mr. Rainey (Ill.) vigorously asserted that it would not have hurt the Davey bill if the Democrats had incorporated in it every provision of the Hearst bill, because it represented "the present radical and progressive of the Democratic party." He supported the Townsend bill, because it was more in harmony with the radical tendency of the Democratic party and opposed the Davey bill because it did not provide for a special court.

Mr. Adamson (Ga.) took issue with the statement of Mr. Grosvenor yesterday and said all the world would give the Democrats credit for forcing action, whether they claimed it or not. If the Republicans did not complete the legislation now, he predicted that the country would damn them for trifling with so important a matter and preventing action.

"Both parties want it," he said. "The president now wants it. The man who ought to have been president for the last eight years wants it. Then those who wish to be president want it, and even the railroad presidents want it and are invading the capital White House and public press to make known their anxiety."

He urged his colleagues not to stop at Speaker Cannon's adjuration to "pass some kind" of a bill only, but to pass the substitute of the minority.

### In the Senate.

Senator Cullom, formerly chairman of the senate committee on interstate commerce favors the passage of the Esch-Townsend bill for the regulation of railroad rates and says the senate will take it just as it comes from the house and enact it into law without amendment of any kind. He also expressed himself today to the Illinois congressional delegation and the members of the Illinois Manufacturers' association were here urging rate legislation. Senator Cullom says time does not remain for satisfactory amendment in the senate at the present session, and it is better to take the judgment of the house than to call congress back for an extra session to enact railroad legislation.

Under the agreement previously reached, the senate entered upon the consideration of the amendments offered to the joint statehood bill immediately after convening at noon today. That agreement provided that the entire day should be given to the consideration of the amendments to the bill under the ten-minute rule, and that a vote should be taken upon all the amendments and upon the bill itself prior to the adjournment of the day's session.

The first amendment to the bill prohibits the sale of liquor in Indiana Territory for ten years. Mr. Gallinger offered an amendment as a substitute to the committee's provision making the time 21 years and extending its operation to the entire state.

By a vote of 55 to 16 the Gallinger substitute was adopted.

Tennesseean First Gov.-General. Washington, Feb. 8.—Luke E. Wright, of Tennessee, is the first American citizen to bear the title of Governor general in the Philippines. The Philippine bill, signed by the president yesterday, authorizing the change of the title he now holds, namely, civil governor of the Philippines. Secretary Taft today sent the following cablegram to the new governor-general:

"I salute and congratulate the first American governor-general of the Philippine islands, and wish for him the same success which has attended his administration as civil governor."

### WOMAN DIES FROM BURNS.

**Completely Wrapped in Flames When  
Discovered by Officers.**

Atlanta, Feb. 8.—As the result of burns received last night at 7 o'clock, Miss Kate Irwin died at midnight at the Grady hospital.

Upon rushing into a room on the second floor of No. 201 1/2 Peters street last evening about 7 o'clock, four policemen, who had heard wild screams in the place, discovered a white woman standing in the center of a room completely enveloped in flames, which wrapped her body and reaped above her head to the ceiling.

The four policemen were Officers Williams, Brodie, Hutchins and Andrews. Officer Brodie jerked off his rubber overcoat and threw it about the woman's body. This checked the flames sufficiently for the other three officers to seize blankets and quilts, and after soaking them in water, to throw them about the woman.

The woman, so an old negro stated to the officers, was standing near an open grate when her skirt caught on fire. In a moment of time she was wrapped in flames.

Miss Irwin was about 30 years of age, and her mother, who is Mrs. Martha Carlisle, lives at Kenwood, in this state.

The dead woman was a seamstress.

### A NEW MATRIMONIAL JUGGLER

**Chicago Authorities Discover Another  
Who Worked Hoch's Tricks.**

Chicago, Feb. 8.—The Chronicle says that there is another matrimonial juggler in Chicago like Johann Hoch may soon be established through a discovery just made by the police.

This discovery incidentally necessitates checking off many of the aliases claimed to have been used by Hoch, under which name he was reported to have married Mrs. Mary Schultz, of Argos, Ind., in 1900, a woman who has never been seen or heard of since the month of her marriage. Other of his aliases may be checked off in the same way later.

Albert Buschberg or Buschberg is the name which Hoch was believed to have once used. The police have learned that another man, also a German, who advertised for wives in German newspapers on the Hoch plan, used this alias. This man is unknown in Chicago, and is declared to be married to a woman whom he met by means of an advertisement in the newspapers and through communication with employment agents.

### Ask Mercy For Condemned Woman.

Harrisburg, Feb. 8.—So numerous have been the requests from all over the country from the people who want Governor Pennypacker to commute to life imprisonment the sentence of Mrs. Kate Edwards, who is to be hanged at Reading on Feb. 16, that it has been found necessary for the executive department to prepare a circular letter in answer to these requests. The letter quotes the state constitution to show that the governor has no power to commute a death sentence to life imprisonment, except upon the recommendation in writing of the board of pardons.

### Will Scatter Father's Ashes.

Rome, Feb. 8.—Ricciotto Garibaldi, the last surviving son of the Italian liberator, has addressed a petition to parliament to settle definitely the question of the final disposition of his father's body. It was the dying wish of General Garibaldi that his body should be cremated and the ashes dispersed; but the government authorities stepped in and forbade it, although his son would have carried out his wishes.

## PLEADS GUILTY TO CHARGE OF MURDER

**Killed Wife and Her Neice and  
Burned Their Bodies.**

### NOT THE LEAST BIT NERVOUS

**As He Signed the Indictment Which  
in Reality Was His Death Warrant  
Crime One of the Most Brutal in  
Criminal Annals.**

Towanda, Pa., Feb. 8.—In court here today Higler Johnson pleaded guilty to the charge that he murdered his wife, Maggie B. Johnson, and her niece, Annie Benjamin, 10 years old, on Sept. 18 last, and afterward burned their bodies.

The prisoner made his plea of guilty and signed the indictment without the faintest indication of nervousness.

He is 26 years old and his wife was 40. At the December term his oldest brother, Charles Johnson, was convicted of first degree murder as an accessory, and is now waiting argument on a new trial. His mother, Mrs. Sophie Merritt, and his sister and brother, Nancy and Alanson Johnson, were put on trial for the same crime today.

The five members of the family, it is charged, went to Maggie Johnson's house one night and killed her and her little girl with an ax, sprinkled the remains with kerosene and set the house on fire.

### YOUNG MAN SLAYS FATHER.

**Husband Was Attempting to Kill Wife  
When Shot By Son.**

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 8.—At Goldville, Newberry county, John Atkinson, 50 years old, was shot and killed by his son, John Atkinson, Jr., aged about 20.

The elder Atkinson, it is said, was drinking and threatened the life of his wife. He chased her from one room to another, breaking down three doors.

Finally the woman ran to the room occupied by her son and his wife. The son locked the door and warned his father not to enter. Paying no heed to the warning, Atkinson knocked the door down. As he rushed at his wife the son raised a shotgun and killed his father instantly.

The young man has surrendered. The killing occurred Saturday night.

### Treasurer Hunter's Return.

New York, Feb. 8.—Captain E. W. Morrison, commander of the treasure hunting expedition fitted out by Earl Fitzwilliam of England to search for treasure said to have been buried on Cocos Island, near Costa Rica, was one of the passengers who arrived here today on board the steamer City of Washington, from Colon, Panama. He was accompanied by Mr. W. H. Ainger, surgeon of the Fitzwilliam expedition. Captain Morrison was reticent about the result of the expedition. He said that the whole business is now over; that their ship is laid up at Panama and the expedition is abandoned. Several were hurt in an explosion in the blowing up of a cliff, but he knew little about it.

### Oldest Justice in South Dead.

Columbus, Ga., Feb. 8.—Judge William D. Cook, of Hargett, Ga., a few miles above Columbus, died Saturday night. He was 71 years of age and held the position of justice of the peace for 45 years in succession. He was the oldest justice of the peace in the entire south in point of service. He was first elected magistrate in 1861. The funeral occurred at his late home Sunday afternoon.

### Blizzard Raging in Texas.

Memphis, Feb. 8.—Wire communication with southern points is slowly being restored by hundreds of telegraph and telephone linemen. The temperature in Memphis today is 13 above zero, a fall of 7 degrees in 12 hours.

The situation in north Texas is the worst in years. A blizzard has been raging over the cattle ranges in the western part of the state and livestock has suffered severely.